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SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : டிராக்டர்களை அரசாங்கமே வாங்கி விநியோகிக்கிறார்களா ? அல்லது அவர்களே நேரடியாக எந்தக் கம்பெனியில் வேண்டுமானாலும் வாங்கிக்கொள்ளலாமா ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : விவசாயிகள் குறிப்பிட்ட சில டிராக்டர்கள் வேண்டுமென்று கேட்கிறார்கள். அது கிடைக்கக் கூடியதாக இருந்தால், எது வேண்டுமென்றால் அதைப் பார்த்து பரிசீலனை செய்து விலை நிர்ணயித்து அதை வழங்குவதாகத் தான் இப்பொழுது ஏற்பாடு.

* 1632-K Q.—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) the total number of tractors expected to be distributed to agriculturists during the year 1961–62 under the Tractor Hire-Purchase scheme;

(b) the number already distributed; and

(c) the terms and conditions on which the tractors are supplied on hire purchased basis?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) A sum of Rupees 20 lakhs has been provided in the Budget for 1961–62 for sanction of loans for hire purchase of tractors during the year 1961–62. The maximum amount of loan admissible per person is Rs. 20,000 and on this basis normally 100 tractors may be distributed. But the price of the Zetor tractor (which is the only make now available in the market) varies from Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 15,000 and hence a larger number of tractors is expected to be distributed during 1961–62, depending on the availability of tractors.

(b) Two;

(c) Four copies of the terms and conditions on which the tractors are supplied on hire purchase basis are placed in the Library of the Legislature.

Rice Mills Licences

* 1632-L Q.—SRI V. SUBBIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) the number of rice-mill licences pending with the Government in 1960–61; and

(b) the reasons for the delay if any?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (a) & (b) A statement [a] is placed on the table of the House.

Veterinary College

* 1632-M. Q.—SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) whether the proposal to open an additional Veterinary College under the Third Plan has been finalised; and

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a Printed as Appendix VIII on pages 233–234 infra.